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KENTUCKY DERBY WINNER AUTHENTIC, OAKS WINNER SHEDARESTHEDEVIL SET TO BREEZE SATURDAY MORNING

LOUISVILLE, Ky. (Friday, Sept. 18, 2020) – Spendthrift Farm, MyRaceHorse Stable, Madaket Stable and Starlight Racing's Kentucky Derby (Grade I) winner **Authentic** along with Qatar Racing, Flurry Racing and Big Aut Farm's Longines Kentucky Oaks (GI) heroine **Shedaresthedevil** are scheduled to work Saturday morning at Churchill Downs.

Authentic has been based in the barn of trainer **D. Wayne Lukas** since his 1 3/4-length victory in the Derby and is scheduled to work at 9 a.m., according to his trainer **Bob Baffert**.

The Derby winner has been galloping each morning around 6 a.m. and remained in Kentucky with stablemate **Thousand Words** to prepare for the \$1 million Preakness (GI) on Saturday, Oct. 3. Thousand Words is scheduled to work at 7:30 a.m. Saturday.

Kentucky Oaks winner Shedaresthedevil also is scheduled to work at 7:30 a.m., according to her trainer **Brad Cox**. Her next race plans remain in flux but a possibility could be the \$400,000 Spinster (GI) at Keeneland on Oct. 4.

Also slated to breeze Saturday is **Bruce Lunsford's** \$600,000 Blue Grass Stakes (GII) winner **Art Collector**. Trained by **Tommy Drury**, Art Collector was forced to skip the Kentucky Derby due to a minor foot injury. The colt is pointing to the 1 3/16-mile Preakness, according to Drury.

Another horse possible to run in the Preakness is **Peter Callahan's** Kentucky Oaks runner-up **Swiss Skydiver**. The filly is scheduled to work on Saturday morning, according to trainer **Kenny McPeck**. Other races under consideration for the Grade I-winner include Keeneland's Spinster and \$500,000 Queen Elizabeth II Challenge Cup (GI) on Oct. 10.

MENA SIDELINED WITH BROKEN RIBS – Jockey **Miguel Mena** will miss the remainder of the September Meet after he suffered broken ribs Thursday at Churchill Downs.

Mena was dismounted in Race 5 on Thursday. His agent, **Joe Santos Jr.**, reported Mena is expected to be sidelined two-to-three weeks.

ACK ACK FIELD TAKING SHAPE – Next Saturday's \$100,000 Ack Ack (Grade III) field continues to take shape. The race could serve as a prep for the \$1 million Breeders' Cup Big Ass Fans Dirt Mile (GI) on Nov. 7 at Keeneland.

Here are the current probable entries, according to Churchill Downs assistant racing and stakes coordinator **Dan Bork**: **Bourbon Calling** (trainer Ian Wilkes); **Dinar** (Cherie DeVaux); **Ebben** (Steve Margolis); **Mocito Rojo** (Shane Wilson); **Mr. Money** (Bret Calhoun); **Proverb** (Richard Baltas); **Sagaponack** (D. Wayne Lukas); **Thirstforlife** (Wes Hawley); and **Warrior's Charge** (Brad Cox).

Entries for Saturday's card will be taken Wednesday.

TV SCHEDULE – The final eight days of the September Meet will air daily on the Fox Sports family of networks. Here's the day-by-day schedule:

- Friday, Sept. 18: FS2 (12:30-5 p.m.), MSG+ (12:30-6 p.m.)
- Saturday, Sept. 19: FS1 (12:30-4 p.m.), FS2 (4-6 p.m.)
- Sunday, Sept. 20: FS1 (12:30-4 p.m.), FS2 (4-5:30 p.m.)
- Wednesday, Sept. 23: FS2 (12:30-5 p.m.)
- Thursday, Sept. 24: FS2 (12:30-5:30 p.m.)
- Friday, Sept. 25: FS2 (12:30-5:30 p.m.)
- Saturday, Sept. 26: FS1 (12:30-1:30 p.m.), FS2 (1:30-8:30 p.m.)
- Sunday, Sept. 27: FS2 (12:30-6 p.m.), FS1 (6-7 p.m.), FS2 (7-8 p.m.)

MILESTONE WATCH – Hall of Fame trainer **Steve Asmussen** continued his charge to surpass all-time win leader **Dale Baird**. At the start of racing Friday, he trailed 9,445 wins to 8,998, according to Equibase. ... Trainers **Bernie Flint** (498 wins) and **Tom Amoss** (497 wins) were both rapidly approaching 500-career victories at Churchill Downs. They do not have any horses entered on Friday.

DOWN THE STRETCH – First post for Friday’s 10-race program at Churchill Downs was 12:45 p.m. The 20-cent Single 6 Jackpot stood at \$2,430 and spanned Races 5-10. There was also a \$3,089 carryover in the Race 10 Super Hi Five. ... **Allied Racing Stable’s** Kentucky Derby third-place finisher **Mr. Big News** worked a half-mile in :48.80 early Friday morning at Churchill Downs. The Giant’s Causeway colt is likely to run in the Preakness, according to trainer **Bret Calhoun**. ... “**Inside Churchill Downs**” will air Friday at 6 p.m. on ESPN Louisville. The one-hour horse racing program, hosted by Churchill Downs’ **Darren Rogers, Kevin Kerstein** and **Scott Shapiro**, airs locally on ESPN 680/105.7 and worldwide at www.espnlouisville.com. ... For the latest handicapping information for the September Meet, visit www.churchilldowns.com/handicapping.

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